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Gen. Charles Cabell, 67, Ex-CIA Official, Dies

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Retired Air Force Gen. Charles Pearre Cabell, 67, the first military deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the one-time chief of Air Force intelligence, died Tuesday in the Ft. Myer Clinic after a heart attack. He lived at 2506 Fort Scott Drive, Arlington.

Gen. Cabell, a 1925 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, was an officer almost 37 years, serving with the CIA from 1953 until his retirement in 1962.

Gen. Cabell was born in Dallas, Tex. After flight training at Kelly Field, Tex., he was stationed in the Panama Canal Zone in the early 1930s. In 1939, he was graduated from the Air Corps Tactical School at Maxwell Field, Ala., and, a year later, from the Command and General Staff School at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

In 1940 he was assigned to the photographic laboratory in an experimental engineering division at Wright Field, Ohio.

He briefly served as an observer with the Royal Air Force before transferring here as chief of the advisory council to the commanding general of the Army Air Corp.

Gen. Cabell's World War II service began as commander of the 45th Combat Bombardment Wing of the 8th Air Corps in Europe. In 1944, he became director of plans for the U.S. Strategic Air Force in Europe and later director of operations and intelligence for the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces. He attended the Yalta and Potsdam conferences.

He returned to Washington in May 1945 as chief of the strategy and policy division in the office of the assistant chief of the air staff for plans. Later that year he was with the military staff committee of the United Nations, becoming its Air Force representative before leaving in 1947 to be chief of the air intelligence requirements division at Air Force headquarters. Six months later he was named director of Air Force intelligence.

Gen. Cabell was staff director of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1951 until joining the CIA.

After retiring, he was a consultant to several industrial firms, including United Air Craft, General Electric, Sperry Rand and Hughes Air Craft. More recently he had been a consultant to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and was a member of the President's Advisory Council on Management Improvement.

A lecturer on intelligence and strategic matters, Gen. Cabell had been on the board of visitors and also was chairman of the board of directors for the National War College. He also was a director of Air America, Inc., Air Asia, the Air Force Village Foundation and director and vice president of the Reserve Officers Association.

Gen. Cabell was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star and Air Medal, and foreign medals including the Order of the British Empire and the French Croix de Guerre and Legion of Honor.

He leaves his wife, the former Jacklyn de Hymel; two sons, Air Force Maj. Charles Jr., of Sunnyvale, Calif., and Benjamin, of Washington; a daughter, Mrs. Charles P. Bennett of Annandale; a brother, Rep. Earl Cabell, D-Tex.; and two grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow in the Ft. Myer Chapel with burial in Arlington Cemetery. The family requests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the Air Force Village Foundation, Inc., 4917 Ravenswood Drive, San Antonio, Tex.

WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS

27 May 1971

Gen. Charles P. Cabell, ex-CIA deputy chief

Services for retired Air Force Gen. Charles Pearre Cabell, 67, who was deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency from 1953 until his retirement from the Air Force in 1962, will be held tomorrow at the Ft. Meyer Chapel, Arlington.

Gen. Cabell, who served in the Air Force for 37 years and was Air Force director of intelligence from 1948 to 1951, died after an apparent heart attack Tuesday night at Ft. Myer Clinic.

He was a native of Dallas, Tex., and graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1925.

He served in World War II as commander of a combat bombardment wing in the European theater and became director of plans for the U.S. Strategic Air Force in Europe in April, 1944. In July of that year, he became director of operations and intelligence for the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, headquartered in Italy.

He held numerous, military decorations, including the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star and Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster.

General Charles Pearre Cabell is hereby awarded the Distinguished Intelligence Medal for his outstanding service with the Central Intelligence Agency. Named Deputy Director of Central Intelligence in 1953, General Cabell brought to this post the rich experience of his years of military service and a particular knowledge of intelligence affairs at the national level. Devoting these attributes to the intelligence problems facing the United States, he has distinguished himself in the councils of our Nation by his judgment, leadership, and integrity.

In fulfilling his responsibilities to the Central Intelligence Agency, General Cabell's wisdom and understanding have provided steady guidance to the conduct of intricate operations and encouragement to those chosen to conduct these activities. During the formative years of the Agency, his application of sound organizational and managerial concepts greatly assisted in the creation of a smoothly functioning entity. General Cabell's professional competence and dedication have resulted in exceptional contributions to the intelligence efforts of the United States. His achievements are in keeping with the highest traditions of service to our Nation and reflect great credit on himself, the Central Intelligence Agency, and the United States Air Force.

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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR: Secretary of the Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

SUBJECT : Recommendation for Award of the Distinguished
Service Medal, First Oak Leaf Cluster

1. I recommend that the Distinguished Service Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster) be awarded to General Charles P. Cabell, 70A, USAF, for exceptionally meritorious service to the United States Government during the period 23 April 1953 to 31 January 1962. General Cabell will be retired from active duty on 31 January after nearly 37 years of distinguished and dedicated service to our Nation.

2. In his role as Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, General Cabell has discharged the responsibilities of the second highest intelligence post in the Nation with professional competence and a dedication that has proved to be an inspiring example to his associates. During the nearly nine years that General Cabell has served this Agency, he has helped guide the intelligence community in decisions affecting the security of the United States and the welfare of other nations allied with us in the common cause of freedom. To the affairs of the United States Intelligence Board, he devoted the full measure of his professional ability and a broad understanding of national policies and international relations. Coupled with his perseverance and characteristic leadership, these qualities have resulted in contributions of lasting benefit to the intelligence community and to the profession he has served so ably.

3. The outstanding character of General Cabell's performance of duty, as set forth in the suggested citation attached, has been fully in keeping with the highest traditions of service to the United States and of inestimable benefit to our Government. The award of this decoration on the occasion of his retirement will bestow recognition fully merited by his distinguished career.

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4. General Cabell has been awarded the following United States decorations:

**Distinguished Service Medal
Legion of Merit
Distinguished Flying Cross
Bronze Star Medal
Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster**

**JOHN A. McCONE
Director of Central Intelligence**

Attachment: Proposed Citation

PROPOSED CITATION

To Accompany the Award

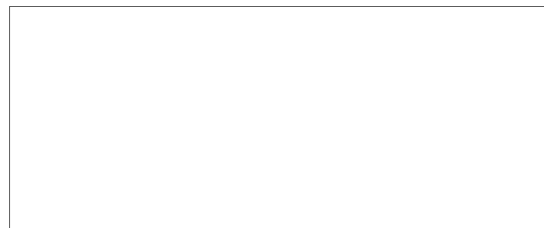
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**Distinguished Service Medal
(First Oak Leaf Cluster)**

to

General Charles P. Cabell

General Charles P. Cabell distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the United States in a position of great responsibility as Deputy Director of Central Intelligence from 23 April 1953 to 31 January 1962. The superb ability, exemplary leadership and selfless dedication displayed by General Cabell resulted in vital contributions to the security of the United States and the Free World. The singularly distinctive accomplishments of General Cabell in this important assignment culminate a distinguished career of nearly 37 years in the service of his country and his dedicated contributions reflect the highest credit upon himself and the United States Air Force.



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